# 26th Saturday after Pentecost



November 16, 2024 5:00 pm St. Paul's Amherst Campus

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church Amherst Lutheran Campus 26th Saturday after Pentecost November 16, 2024

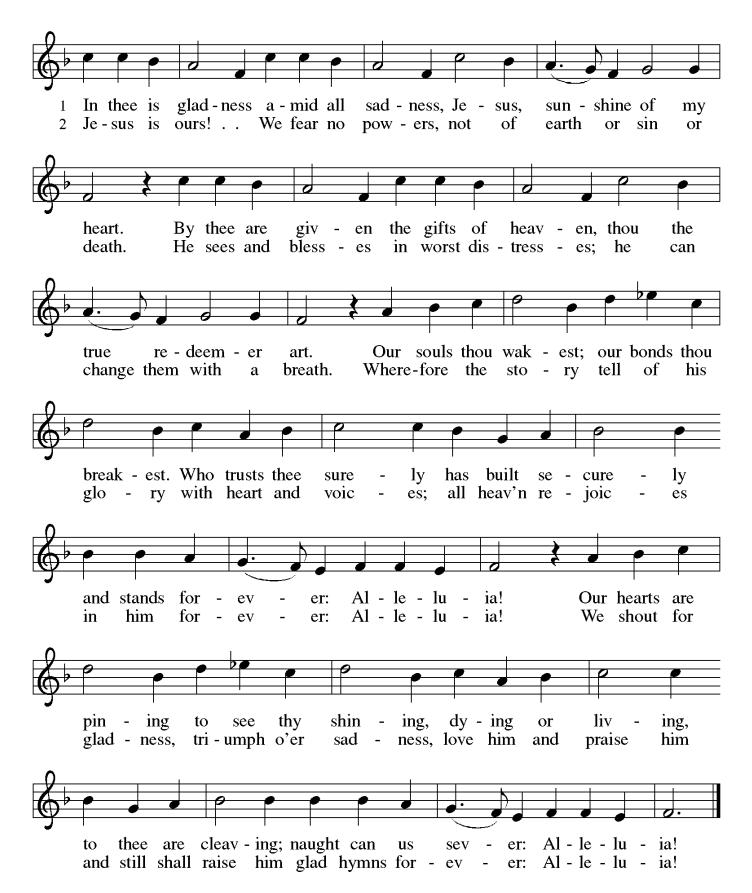


#### Musician: Adam Schmidt

#### Confession and Forgiveness

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, Host at every table, Companion of the suffering, Spirit of resurrection life.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another. God of letting go,
- C We confess that we fill ourselves with empty riches while our neighbors starve.
- P God of the cross,
- C We confess that we grasp for dreams of wealth and reject your path of sacrificial love.
- P God who knows our pain,
- C We confess that we become numb or grumpy when you invite us into compassion.
- P God who saves, feeds, and heals,
- C We repent of setting the table too small. We lament our habits of scarcity and distrust. We renounce the lures of prosperity and seek your reign of joy and peace.
- P People of God, we are both sinners and saints: God's table is set for all creation. In Jesus Christ, all your sins are forgiven all our fears are cast aside and all our neighbors are fed.
- C Alleluia! Thanks be to God. Amen.

# In Thee Is Gladness



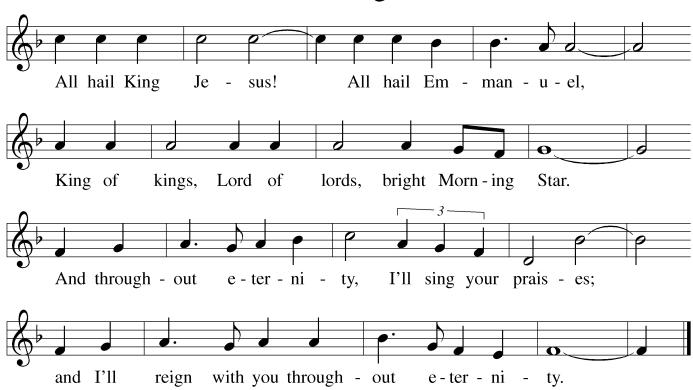
#### Apostolic Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

#### Prayer of the Day

- P God, our Loving Protector, free us from worrying about the future. Shield us when stones fall and console us when fears rise. Provoke us to love, for you have sent us the sign and the way of all that is yet to come, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen

#### Praise Hymn: W&P 3



All Hail King Jesus!

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#### First Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25

Images of worship and sacrifice are used throughout Hebrews to highlight what Christ has uniquely accomplished through his death. Because we have received forgiveness through Christ's death, we live with sincere hearts by trusting in God's promises and encouraging love and good works from each other.

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

- A This is the Word of the Lord
- C Thanks be to God.

# Psalm 16 (read responsively)

My heart is glad and my spirit rejoices; my body shall rest in hope. (Ps. 16:9)

- A Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- C All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.
- A But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.
- C I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.
- A O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

- C My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.
- A I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.
- C I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
- A My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.
- C For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.
- A You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.
- A This is the Word of the Lord
- C Thanks be to God.

#### Gospel Hymn: ELW 174



Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

#### Music: Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

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- P The Holy Gospel according to Mark the13th Chapter
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

#### Gospel: Mark 13:1-8

In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He exhorts the listener: Do not be alarmed.

As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon





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# Apostle's Creed

- P With the whole church, let us confess our faith together:
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

#### Prayers of the Church

P Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation. (Please be seated.)

O God, in the washing of water you set us free from the power of sin and death. Unite all the baptized in the covenant you have made with us, as we strive for your justice and peace in all the earth. Merciful God,

#### C receive our prayer.

P By your merciful might you sustain all creation. Stir us from complacency with the harm we inflict on the earth, and urge us to adopt sustainable ways of life that protect and restore our planet. Merciful God,

#### C receive our prayer.

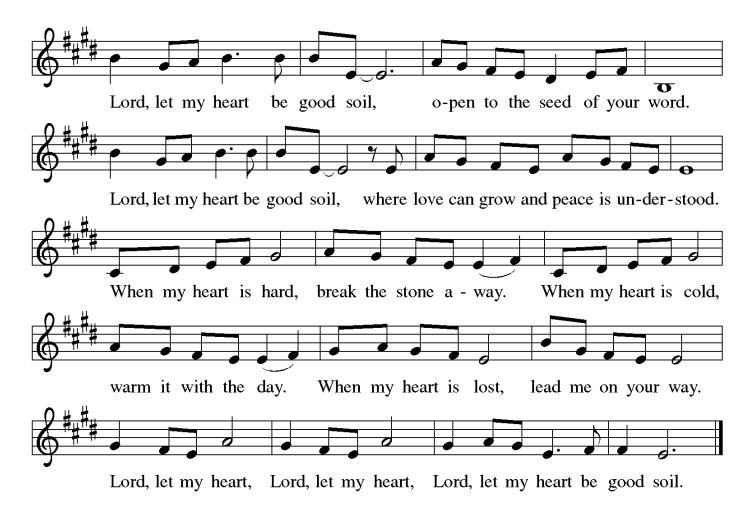
P With a selfless power you protect all who take refuge in you. As nations rise against nations, defend all who are displaced or affected by war or violence. Empower all people and nations to pursue peace. Merciful God,

#### C receive our prayer.

- P In your presence you give fullness of joy. Care for all for whom joy feels distant. Be present with persons experiencing depression, anxiety, addiction, or any mental illness. We pray especially for the people on our Prayer Lists and Prayer Chain, and those we name before you now, either silently or aloud. Bring them healing and wholeness. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.

- P Through the years you have gathered your church and this community for worship, fellowship, formation, and service. Enable us to look beyond the walls of our building to perceive where you are calling us forward. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.
- P With thanksgiving we remember saints and angels who delight in your everlasting presence. As their lives inspire ours, provoke us always to love, holding fast to the confession of our hope in you. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.
- P We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.
- C Amen.

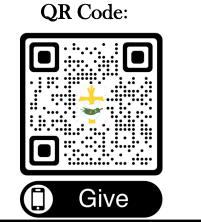
#### Offering Hymn: W&P 52



Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

*Ways to Give to St. Paul's:* Options you can use to continue tithing to St. Paul's:

- **In-Person Worship:** Continue to put your envelopes and cash in the plate
- **Giving by Mail:** Please mail your donations payable to St. Paul's, 4007 Main Street, Eggertsville, NY 14226
- Online: The St. Paul's website contains
   a link to Online Giving. The website is:
   https://stpaulseggertsville.com/online-giving/



# Offering Prayer

- P Let us pray.
- C Blessed are you, God of surprising grace. You call us to bold acts of kindness and brave gestures of solidarity. Receive and hallow these offerings of our time and treasure that we share today and in our planned giving. Multiply these gifts so that your reign of plenty and peace may be known by all, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen

# Dialogue and Preface

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give God thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right and proper that we should at all times and in all places, offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and speak their unending hymn:

#### Sanctus (spoken)

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### Words of Institution

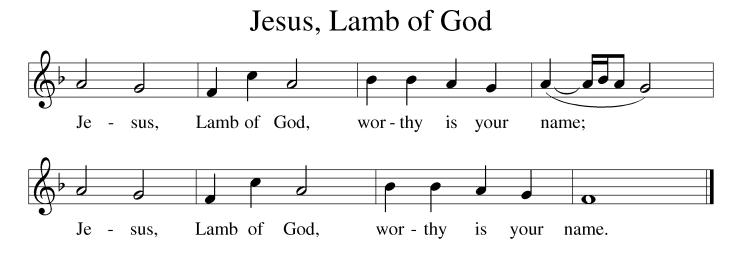
P In the night in which he was handed over, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

#### Lord's Prayer

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:
- C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

#### Communion Hymn: W&P 76

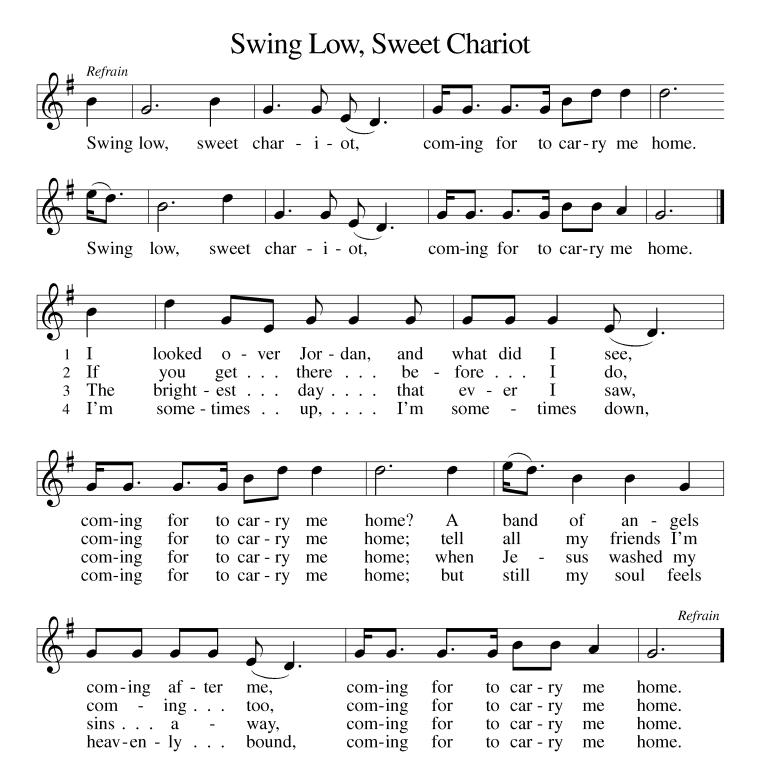


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<u>Holy Communion at St. Paul's</u>: celebrated every time we gather, and is open to all. Please approach by the center aisle, receive the bread and the wine, and return to your seat via the side aisle. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available. Simply request it from the Assisting Minister holding the wine. Children are welcome! Those who receive elsewhere may receive here. Children who do not yet receive may come for a blessing. If you have difficulty walking, communion will be brought

#### Distribution Hymn: TFF 171



#### Communion Blessing

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

#### Prayer After Communion

- P Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

# Benediction

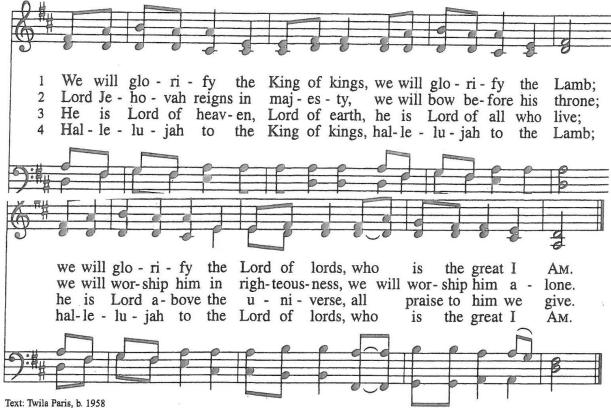
- P And now as you go on your way, may our Lord Jesus go with you. May he go before you to show you the way, behind you to encourage you, beside you to be your friend, above you to watch over you, and within you to give you peace. Go today celebrating in the name of the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, and all God's children said...
- C Amen

Sending Hymn: TFF 281 (on the following page)

#### Sharing the Peace and Sending

- P Go in peace to serve the Lord!
- C Thanks be to God.

# We Will Glorify



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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### What's Happening This Week at St. Paul's: November 17-24, 2024

\*Unless otherwise noted, all activities will take place at the Eggertsville Campus\*

<ul> <li>9:30 am-1:30 pm: Western New York Church at (AC)</li> <li>10:00 am: Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV</li> <li>10:00 am: Worship, Communion, and Sunday School</li> <li>1:00 pm: Ray of Hope at AC</li> <li>Monday: 4:30-5:15 pm: Daily Bread Food Truck Meal Share</li> <li>Tuesday: 10:00 am: Bible Study</li> </ul>	Sunday:	9:00-9:45 am: Adult Forum
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5:00-6:30 pm: Amherst Family Support Center Art Show		5:00-6:30 pm: Amherst Family Support Center Art Show
6:00 pm: Burrito Project		6:00 pm: Burrito Project
7:00-9:00 pm: Lutheran Chorale Rehearsal		7:00-9:00 pm: Lutheran Chorale Rehearsal
Wednesday: 6:30-8:00 pm: Ray of Hope Prayer Group at AC		
7:00-8:00 pm: God on Tap at AC		7:00-8:00 pm: God on Tap at AC
8:00 pm: AA Meeting		8:00 pm: AA Meeting
Friday: 7:00-8:30 pm: Traveling & Trudging (formerly Emotional Sobriety II)	Friday:	7:00-8:30 pm: Traveling & Trudging (formerly Emotional Sobriety II)
Saturday: 9:00 am-12:30 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open	Saturday:	9:00 am-12:30 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open
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**Prayer List: In our congregational and extended family:** Kathy Greenawalt; Gloria Chaves (Betty Aprile's sister); Jim and Sue Gustafson; Sue Epstein; Rosemond Johnson

#### Prayer List: Shut-Ins (\* indicates new names or changes added this week)

Ruth Blank: Weinberg Campus/Rosa Coplon Living Ctr, 2700 N. Forest, #151, Getzville, 14068 Neal DeLeo: Greenfield Manor, #D110, 5958 Broadway, Lancaster, NY 14086 John Hornung: Brothers of Mercy, 10570 Bergtold Road, Clarence, NY 14031 Jan Isaacs: 6 Bush Gardens, Three Rod Road, Alden, NY 14004 Dave Lampe: 829 N Hurff Drive, Elmwood, IL 61529 Elaine Masman: Doseberg Campus, Room 120, 2700 North Forest Rd., Getzville, NY 14068 Dorothy Menth: Elderwood Rehab/Basset Park, 245 Bassett Rd., Williamsville, NY 14221 Wilma Nantka: Fredonia Place, 201 Reist Street, #238, Williamsville, NY 14221 David Wolf: Solstice, 6363 Transit Road, #244, East Amherst, NY 14051

#### PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

In-Person Worship: St. Paul's has two in-person worship services: Saturday evening at 5:00 pm at the Amherst Campus, 5125 Main Street, Williamsville, 14221, and Sunday morning at 10:00 am at the Eggertsville Campus, 4007 Main Street, Eggertsville, 14226. The Sunday 10:00 am worship service is also livestreamed on St. Paul's YouTube page.

*Church Unleashed:* If you cannot join us for in-person worship, please continue to worship with us as Church Unleashed on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am on WBBZ, YouTube, or Facebook.

**Prayer Team Ministry:** Once a week you will receive an email with a list of people to pray for and specific requests for that person. We ask that you commit to praying for the names on the email. If you'd like to join us, please contact Cody at: Cody@stpaulseggertsville.com

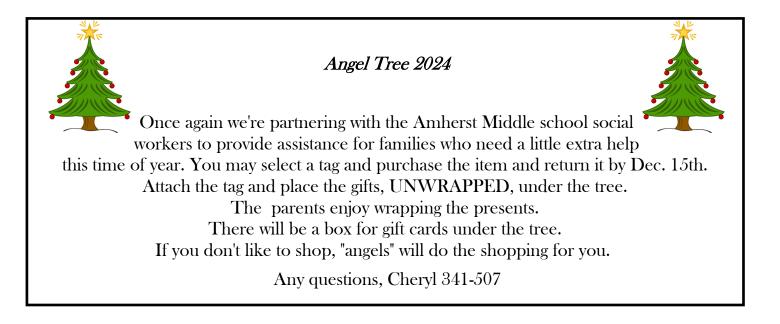
Nursery/Nursing Mom's Room: Located downstairs by the Sunday School room. There is a wall TV for streaming the Sunday worship service. Babies 0-24 months are welcome in the nursery and must be monitored by their parent.

**Daily Bread Food Truck:** The 2024 Monday Meal Share is underway each Monday from 4:30-5:15 pm. If you are interested in volunteering or donating, contact the office at 716-835-0407 or dailybread4007@gmail.com.

#### **NEWANNOUNCEMENTS**

Tigers Den Food Pantry: The Food Pantry is open to anyone in need in zip code 14226, is associated with St. Paul's Amherst Campus, or by referral. The pantry hours for November are: Saturday 11/23 from 9:00 am-12:30 pm and Wednesday 11/27 from 3:00-6:30 pm. Tiger's Den <u>NOT</u> be open on Thursday, 11/28 which is Thanksgiving. Donations for November: flour, sugar, and cooking oil.

Adult Forum: The Adult Forum continues Sunday mornings at the Eggertsville Campus from 9:00-9:45 am. David Gettman is conducting a study of "The Cost of Leadership" by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a Lutheran theologian who was murdered by Adolf Hitler.





# A D V ENT FAMILY Sunday, Nov 24th 11:00-1:00 11:00-1:00 10 per family

Lunch, craft, games, Bible lesson & Adventure! Each family will receive a copy of the book "25 Days of the Christmas Story" and an advent adventure kit to help you explore faith at home!

RSVP to the office or kristen@stpaulseggertsville.com



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